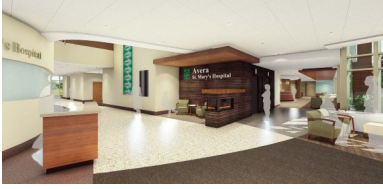


# Central South Dakota Retired Senior Volunteer Program

is committed to improving lives, strengthening communities and fostering civic engagement through service and volunteering.

## RSVP Advisory Council—May 2018

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The **Helmsley Center** opens this fall, providing volunteer opportunities. The information desk, located next to the fireplace, is a perfect place for volunteers to offer a warm welcome and provide information to those who enter. Training is provided. Call Teri 224-3337.

This year's **reading buddies** program ends in May. Please know how much your participation means to our students. Thank you to the many volunteers who spent 30 minutes each week reading with our 114 students. The benefits of this program are truly endless. Remember, we want all children to be treated equally at RB so we ask our volunteers to please not bring any gifts or treats for their RB. It is understandable to want to

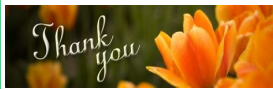
School	Day	Time	Ends
Buchanan	M	12:45	May 7
Kennedy	T	1:45 pm	May 15
Stanley Co	W	11:45	May 9
PILC	Th	10:00	May 10
ABO	Apr 2	2:30 pm	May 7

give your RB a gift, so in order to treat all students equally, RSVP provides books twice a year. Prairie Pages provides recommendations grade appropriate books for our teachers to select for their students. "Because of Winn-Dixie", "The Mount Rushmore Calamity", "Roscoe Riley Rules", and "Leroy Ninker Saddles Up" will be given to our reading buddies on the last day for each school by their reading buddy. Much appreciation is extended to the Zonta Club of Pierre-Fort Pierre for providing funds to purchase the books.



The **Discovery Center** is looking for volunteers to help with field trips for the following dates and times:  
 May 2, 10-11:30 and 12-2, 1 volunteer needed each time  
 May 3, 10-11:30, 1 volunteer needed  
 May 7, 11:30-12:45, 1 volunteer needed  
 May 9, 1:45-3:00, 1 volunteer needed  
 May 10, 10:15-12 and 1-3, 2 volunteers needed each time  
 May 11, 10-12:30 and 12:30-2:45, 2 volunteers each time  
 May 14, 10-12, 1 volunteer needed  
 May 15, 10:30-1, 1 volunteer needed  
 May 16, 12:45-2:45, 2 volunteers needed  
 May 18, 12:30-2, 2 volunteers needed  
 May 22, 10:30-12:00, 3 volunteers needed

Volunteers will operate the Harmonograph, which can be done sitting. This will require some interaction with the children. Volunteers would place a marker in the machine, tell the children what they need to do, use a pulley to place the marker on the paper, remove the paper from the machine, and roll up the paper for the children. Training provided, call Sarah, 224-8295.



Thank you to the 100 plus volunteers who joined us on Friday, April 27th at the Ramkota for our 23rd annual luncheon. Our community is a better place because of you! Special appreciation to Elton Blemaster for his role as emcee, Randall Royer for providing music, Pastor Emily Munger for the opening prayer, the RSVP Advisory council for welcoming our volunteers, to those who presented information about volunteer opportunities; Kellie Yackley, Helmsley Center and Geraldine Ray, Capitol and to Rachel Wellman, PILC 1st grade teacher who shared her heart-warming words about our reading buddy volunteers at the Pierre Indian Learning Center.

**Retirement Centers—Make someone's day!** Attention all Reading Buddies—with the school year ending, please consider participating in our retirement center volunteer opportunities during the summer. Visit, have coffee, play board games, checkers, cards, puzzles, take walks, read to those who have lost their sight, provide companionship and entertainment at the following locations. Just call the person noted to make arrangements.

- Avera Parkwood..... Lance 224-3183
- Avera Mary House ..... Jaccinda 280-1049
- Kelly's Retirement Home..... Karmyn 224-5261
- Lincoln Apartments ..... Gary 224-7330
- Pierre Care/Rehabilitation..... Faith 224-8628
- Pierre Senior Center..... Jeannie 224-7730



Nancy Bloom	Carol Johnson
John Burrows	Cindy Lint
Judith Costar	Eileen List
Janice Deal	Carol Schneiderhan
Stella Fulgaro	Gaytha TenEyck
Dale Heidelbergger	Janet Vander Vorste
Carol Jennings	Judy Weisgram



- \* Hospital Greeter, greet all visitors and provide information, training provided. Call Arlene, 224-3233.
- \* Surgery waiting room, 7 am to noon, weekdays, provide information, greet patients, family. Call Karna, 224-3251.
- \* **Auxiliary**, \$3 annual membership, \$2 monthly luncheon, 1 pm, Hospital Cafeteria, Sep-May. Call Marjorie, 280-2990 about the Auxiliary and to volunteer to knit baby caps, (provided to all newborns), or call Myrna, 224-7039 to assist at the Hospital Auxiliary Gift Shop.
- \* **Please consider donating yarn you no longer use for baby caps. Bring it to the RSVP office. Thank you!**

Assist one hour per day on weekdays delivering meals, at the **Community Youth Involved Center**. Call Pat, 223-2701.

**Countryside Hospice Thrift Store** is seeking cashiers and volunteers to test and clean small appliances and take home projects. **Countryside Hospice Support and Memory Center**, help with the monthly newsletter labeling and special projects. Call Marie or Rose, 945-0150.

**Feeding SD**, needs 20-30 volunteers the first Tuesday from 5:30-7:30 pm to pack senior boxes, and to sort donated food. Call Russ, 494-3663 or visit <http://feedingsouthdakota.org>.

Call Jenna, 224-4617 if you are interested in learning area tourism information and sharing it with visitors at the **Oahe Dam Visitor Center**.

**Oahe Child Development Center** needs volunteers to come in to read, interact and have lunch with the children in 7 classrooms. Free lunch is provided. Call Jodi, 224-6603.

Receive endless benefits at **Oahe Inc.** assisting residents with laundry, meal preparation. Call 224-4501.

If you can use a tape to measure lumber, cut a straight line, hammer a nail, or paint walls, then your skills are needed. at **Oahe Habitat for Humanity**. Call Don, 224-1366.

Visit [www.pierreareareferral.org](http://www.pierreareareferral.org) and register for volunteer opportunities at **PARS**; Food Pantry, holiday meals, Back Pack Program. Call Brenda, 224-8731.

### Volunteer for Special Projects

AARP	Lindsey	362-3044
Blunt Area Senior Center	Karen	280-7205
Capital Area United Way	Christina	224-9229
Chamber Commerce	Mallory	224-7361
Pierre Retired School Personnel	Jean	224-4930
Pierre School District	Jeri	773-7300
SD Discovery Center	Kristie	224-8295

BINGO is available on Thursdays at the **Pierre Area Senior Center**. If you are interested in calling bingo call Jeannie, 224-7730.

**River Cities Public Transit** needs volunteers who can be an escort for a

person with a disability or an elderly person or someone who is unsteady or has issues with balance or their gait. Provide assistance carrying groceries, going to a medical appointment. An escort will ride the bus for FREE and assist the individual as needed. Schedules can be done in advance so volunteer escorts can plan around the need for service. Call Chuck, 945-2360.

**SHIINE** provides free, confidential, unbiased counseling to SD Medicare beneficiaries. Call Roger, 877-331-4834.

Be a tour guide, archives assistant, gift shop attendant, or desk attendant at the **SD Cultural Heritage Center**, or gift shop attendant at the **State Capitol**. Call Dorinda, 773-6006.

Volunteer as a tour guide at the **SD State Capitol** by providing guided tours, restocking the brochure racks, and providing general info. Call Tammi, 773-3688.

Volunteer for the Braille and Talking Book Library Program at the **SD State Library**, for an interesting, rewarding experience that produces materials that benefit South Dakotans who are unable to read standard print. Call Josh, 773-5082.

Volunteer to help **SD State Parks** with special events in the park and assist in the office. Call Emilie, 773-7048.

Wash dishes, serve drinks, assist guests, host servers at the banquet, **South East Community Center**. Call Barb, 224-7244.

**SD Women's Prison** Parent And Children Together, program meets monthly, book club, W-2 program, friendly visits. Call Warden Brent, 773-5368.

Call Bev, 258-2348 to assist with providing meals in Onida at the **Sully Co. Nutrition Center**.

Be vigilant for safety violations on the City of Pierre trails doing **trail patrol**. Provide assistance. Observe, record and report any bike trail hazards, violations of law, city ordinance or unsafe conditions. Visit with pet owners when they violate animal ordinances. Call Tom 773-2527.

